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12. (Amended) An article of jewelry comprising:
- a) a flexible conductor having an exterior coating of non-conductive composition;
 - b) said conductor forming a loop having first and second discontinuities;
 - c) a clasp located within a said first discontinuity;
 - d) a medallion located within a said second discontinuity;
 - e) said medallion having consisting of a single a diametrical aperture to form a channel through said medallion; and
 - f) a surface mount light emitting diode housed within said diametrical aperture.
13. (Original) The article of claim 12, further comprising a conductor from one of said discontinuities in secure contact with a terminal receptor of said light emitting diode.
14. (Original) The article of claim 12, further comprising said light emitting diode in a radially equidistant position from an exterior surface of said medallion.
15. (Original) The article of claim 14, wherein said radially equidistant position of said light emitting diode provides an even distribution of illumination.
16. (Currently Amended) An article of jewelry comprising:
- a flexible conductor having an exterior coating of non-conductive composition;
 - said conductor forming a loop having first and second discontinuities;
 - a clasp located within a said first discontinuity;
 - a medallion located with a second discontinuity, wherein said medallion consisting of a single piece having a property selected from a group consisting of: transparent, translucent, tinted, and combinations thereof; and

said medallion consisting of a single aperture adapted to receive a light emitting diode housed within an aperture formed in said medallion.

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18. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 16, wherein said aperture extends from a first exterior surface of said medallion to a second exterior surface of said medallion.

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20. (Original) The article of claim 16, wherein said clasp includes a housing having a first aperture adapted to receive a proximal end of said conductor from one of said loop discontinuities.

21. (Original) The article of claim 20, wherein said proximal end of said conductor is joined to an electrode with a cross sectional area greater than a cross sectional area of said first aperture.

22. (Original) The article of claim 16, further comprising a battery adapted to be in communication with said clasp.

23. (New) The article of claim 12, wherein said light emitting diode is a surface mount light emitting diode.

24. (New) The article of claim 16, wherein said light emitting diode is a surface mount light emitting diode.

25. (New) An article comprising:
a flexible conductor forming a loop having first and second discontinuities;
a medallion located with one of said discontinuities, wherein said medallion

consisting of a single piece having a property selected from a group consisting of:
transparent, translucent, tinted, and combinations thereof; and

a surface mount light emitting diode housed within an aperture formed in said
medallion.

26. (New) The article of claim 25, wherein said surface mount light emitting diode is adapted to emit light from within said aperture.
27. (New) The article of claim 25, wherein said aperture extends from a first exterior surface of said medallion to a second exterior surface of said medallion.
28. (New) An article comprising:
a medallion consisting of a single channel;
said channel adapted to extend from a first exterior surface to a second exterior surface of said medallion; and
a light emitting diode adapted to be housed within said channel.
29. (New) The article of claim 28, wherein said light emitting diode is a surface mount light emitting diode.
30. (New) The article of claim 28, wherein said surface mount light emitting diode having a first post adapted to extend toward said first exterior surface and a second post adapted to extend toward said second exterior surface.
31. (New) The article of claim 30, further comprising a first flexible conductor adapted to extend from said first post and a second flexible conductor adapted to extend from said second post.